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SUBJECT: MOLDOVA DOES NOT SUPPORT BOBCAT PROPOSAL;  
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OTHER CITES' PRIORITIES

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11. (SBU) Pol/Econ Officer delivered REFTEL points to Octavian Calmac, Deputy Minister of Economy, and to Inga Podoroghin and Ala Rotaru in the International Cooperation and European Integration Division Policy Analysis, Monitoring and Evaluation Department in the Ministry of Environment.

12. (SBU) Ms. Rotaru, the Ministry of Environment expert on CITES, said that the Ministry supported all the proposals with the exception of the bobcat (*Lynx rufus*) proposal. She noted that the bobcat proposal had failed previously. In addition, she added that Moldovan Customs does not possess the necessary electronic equipment for adequate monitoring.

CHAUDHRY